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ANS Fifty-Year Members Honored

In a special ceremony conducted before an overflow audience, the ANS recognized four members celebrating their fiftieth year of association with the Society. At the Society's board meeting earlier in the day, the Council elected as Honorary Life Members, Léon LaCroix, Mendel L. Peterson, Mark M. Salton and Randolph Zander. Although none of the recipients could be present for the ceremony, each was sent a videotape of the proceedings together with a distinctive certificate hand lettered for the occasion by ANS member Lili Wronker, who this year donated her services in memory of her husband, Erich, whose death on June 9 saddened the entire numismatic community.

ANS President Arthur A. Houghton III introduced the program, commenting, "Today's program is joyous for several reasons. First, we have the privilege of honoring four members of our Society whose loyalty and devotion to this institution stretches back 50 years. Second is the happy coincidence that each of our honorees has distinguished himself in various facets of numismatics, exemplifying by their contributions, both the compass of the discipline and the range of interests and specialties among the membership of the ANS. Another cause for joy is that this occasion brings back to our lecture podium, after too long an absence, our good friend, Commander James Risk who will be our featured speaker later this afternoon."

By happy coincidence, each of the 1996 honorees has been author or editor of numismatic publications of note. A display of these publications was on view in the Society's West Hall where many visitors were able to peruse it before the ceremonies and during the reception which followed.

Citation of Honorees

ANS Director Leslie A. Elam, assisted by staff colleagues, introduced the honorees, in absentia, to the gathering, followed by responses received from three of the honorees. He first called on Dr. Arnold-Biucchi, ANS Margaret Thompson Curator of Greek Coins, to summarize Professor Lacroix's membership and share with the audience his reply.

"Léon Lacroix is Professor Emeritus of Numismatics and Archaeology at the University of Liège, Belgium. A distinguished scholar of ancient Greek coinage, he was elected a Corresponding Member of the ANS in 1979, in recognition of his many contributions to the discipline. He is represented in the Society's Centennial Publication, issued in 1958



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under Harold Ingholt's direction, and comprising contributions from leading numismatists throughout the world. Among Prof. Lacroix's books, one might mention Les Réproductions des statues sur les monnaies grecques (1949), Monnaies et colonisation dans l'Occident grec (1965), and Études d'archéologie numismatique (1979)."

In response to his election as an Honorary Life Member, Prof. Lacroix wrote the following, addressed to Mr. Elam: "It is a great honor to me to become an Honorary Life Member of the American Numismatic Society. I wish I had been able to accept your offer to attend the meeting on July 20, but age and health problems make such a trip impossible. I hope you will excuse my absence and accept my sincere and deep gratitude. May I also ask you to convey my thanks to our colleagues?

"I realize that I have made only a small contribution to Greek numismatics, but I have been most gratified to see numismatic studies pursued on a wide range of topics and periods thanks to the support of institutions among which the ANS holds a preeminent spot. My fondest wish is that the research carried on under the aegis of the American Numismatic Society be continued under the most favorable conditions.

"It is with these sentiments that I wish you to accept my best wishes."

Next, Mr. Elam recognized Mendel L. Peterson.

"Mr. Peterson, an expert on naval and military history, is also a serious student of numismatics. Formerly the Chairman of the Department of Armed Forces History at what was then the Museum of History and Technology of the Smithsonian Institution (now the National Museum of American History), he then undertook positions as Curator of the Division of Historic Archeology and Director of the Underwater Exploration Program at SI. An accomplished diver as well as historian and numismatist, his experiences are detailed in two important books: History Under the Sea, published in 1965, and a seminal manual on undersea exploration methodology; and in 1975, The Funnel of Gold, a detailed analysis of the Spanish treasure fleets attempting to move the wealth of the New World back to Europe. Now retired, Mr. Peterson lives in McLean, Virginia.

Then Mr. Elam commented, "Our next honoree needs no introduction; we only regret that Mark Salton and his wife Lottie are unable to be with us as they had originally planned. I might mention in passing that Mark was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1979 and serves on three ANS Standing Committees: Medals, the Saltus Award, and the Huntington Award, of which he is the Chairman. With Lottie, he was named a Benefactor of the Society in 1984, in recognition of their great generosity. I am brief because I want to defer to our good friend Lou Zara who has known Mark since the day Mark joined the ANS 50 years ago and will bring this perspective to our proceedings.



Louis Zara, in tribute to Mark Salton

Mr. Zara sketched from personal knowledge a person of great courage and character, describing his early acquaintance with Mr. Salton when he established himself as a coin dealer in New York prior to embarking on his career as an international banker. Mr. Zara brought with him several mementos, including early Salton-Schlessinger catalogues and an offprint given him by Mark of a short article he had written in 1951.

These gifts were received on Mr. Salton's behalf by Mr. Elam, who then called on the Society's Chief Curator, William E. Metcalf to share a note received from Mr. Salton in his absence.

Addressed "Mr. President, Numismatic friends," Mr. Salton's letter continued, "Much to my regret, I am unable to be here to-day, and I have asked Bill Metcalf for the favor of conveying to you some thoughts on this occasion.

"Longevity of numismatists is surpassed only by that of the coins themselves. As in the case of coins, of precious wines and, if some frivolity be allowed, of good cheese, their quality tends to improve with age. We won't go into details about that, because any elaborative statement in this regard may, to quote Winston Churchill, entail, in the extreme acceptance of the word, a certain risk of terminological inexactitude.

"No such risk exists, however, in recounting that during the fifty years of my membership in the American Numismatic Society, the Society has undergone substantial changes; it has developed into one of the foremost centers of numismatic study and research worldwide, and its staff and presidents have consistently expanded the traditions of Archer M. Huntington, Edward T. Newell and the other 'founding fathers'.

"It gives me as a 'cinquantenarian' pride and joy to have been able to witness this evolution which, we can be certain, will be extrapolated into the future as well. Thank you."

Mr. Elam returned to the podium to say, "Last alphabetically, but prominent in our thoughts, is Randolph Zander of Alexandria, Virginia, also a Fellow of the Society, elected as such in 1991. A graduate of Columbia College in 1936, Ran served as an intelligence programs analyst in the office of the Secretary of Defense following a decade of military service during which he rose to the rank of Major. We know him best as the indefatigable editor of the Journal of the Russian Numismatic Society, a post he has held and served well since 1982. We will put the cart before the horse a bit and ask the ANS Librarian, Francis Campbell, to read Ran's letter on this occasion, followed shortly by a personal reminiscence by our speaker who shares childhood memories with Ran Zander.

Mr. Campbell remarked briefly on his long acquaintance with Ran Zander, a member of the Society's Library Committee. He then read Mr. Zander's remarks, as addressed to Mr. Elam. "A little while ago a friendly voice from your office called to invite me to a small gettogether to mark a few more members'

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50th anniversary. She asked also for biographical notes.

"Inclosed are the notes. It saddens me enormously not to be able to come to New York. I'm marooned down here for

"I've not visited the Society very much during this half-century; indeed the building saw more of me in the early thirties, before I was a member. Then I was going to school barely two miles south of you. Sometimes, happily giving way to temptation, I'd cut a lab class and run up to Audubon Terrace for a far more agreeable (and useful) afternoon with Sawyer Mosser in his library. He was ever patient and forthcoming with this numismatic waif (what a vast company of more serious numismatic scholars the Society has nurtured during all the intervening years). A memorable moment was when the saturnine and even then legendary Howland Wood once walked into the room to check out some fact or other.

"One of the few regrets toward the end of a long and generally rewarding numismatic life is that circumstances have kept me from truly knowing and being useful to the Society—even on an infinitely more modest scale—the way busy people like Charlie Panish or Henry Grunthal managed to.

"As it is, especially during these last fifteen years, with the Russian Numismatic Society's publications keeping me on my toes and every now and then momentarily out of my depth, Frank Campbell time and again has gone out of his way to suggest and mobilize needed resources. Of the Museum's many capabilities I know him and his incomparable library best; and from what one sees of other such establishments in Europe, one appreciates how clearly the Society has stood unchallenged.

"I send you all thanks for the cherished years of association, and most earnestly I wish our Society well during many generations to come. With affection and respect."



Commander James Risk, Guest Speaker

Talk by James Risk

Following these proceedings, Mr. Houghton called on Alan M. Stahl, whose curatorial responsibilities encompass medals and decorations as well as medieval coins, to introduce Commander James Risk, the invited speaker on this special occasion. In doing so, Mr. Houghton briefly recalled his long-standing friendship with and respect for Mr. Risk as the head of Coin Galleries in New York.

Mr. Stahl reminded the gathering that Mr. Risk (himself an Honorary Life Member of the ANS, having joined the ANS in 1939) had been educated at Dartmouth and Harvard, and had taught history at MIT until, in 1940, he joined the war effort, serving in the U.S. Navy. In 1945 he was appointed to the Allied Commission in Rome and two years later entered the Foreign Service with posts to Vladivostok, Moscow and Saigon before returning to New York in 1953. Mr. Risk, who for many years chaired the Society's Committee on Orders and Decorations, is one of the foremost authorities on British Orders and serves as consultant to the Royal Family in this regard. His expertise and service was formally recognized by Oueen Elizabeth II who honored him as a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order. It is on the topic of British Orders that he graciously agreed to address this special audience in a paper titled, "Senior Numismatists and Ancient Knighthoods."

Before proceeding to the formal portion of his talk, Mr. Risk, as promised, remembered his boyhood years in Montclair, New Jersey, shared in great part with his good friend Ran Zander. Together they frequented the shop of Thomas Elder in NYC, picking up numismatic lore and, as Mr. Risk recalled, improving their "street vocabulary" for which Elder was infamous. One amusing anecdote served to illuminate the nature of his and Ran's friendshipthey pooled funds aggregating \$50, which they exchanged for \$5 gold pieces straight from bank tills until they acquired a complete date set, 1840-60! He recalled Ran as a brilliant linguist whose fluency in Russian was instrumental in his career decision.

Mr. Risk then thoroughly entertained the audience with a rapid succession of color slides depicting rarely seen examples of British decorations, predominantly of the Order of the Garter. He showed and discussed several pieces discovered by him in the course of inventorying the Royal Family collection and pointed out arrays of precious jewels and finely wrought designs used to personalize these decorations as well as changes made to individual pieces over time. At its conclusion, his presentation received an appreciative ovation.

The afternoon was rounded out with a reception in honor of the newly inducted Honorary Life Members.



Stephen K. Scher Lecture Endowed at ANS

Dr. and Mrs. Stephen K. Scher of Clifton, NJ, have generously established The Stephen K. Scher Lecture at the ANS, to be presented annually in conjunction with the Saltus Award Meeting. This endowed lectureship will enable the Society to invite a guest speaker of prominence to deliver The Stephen K. Scher Lecture on a topic in keeping with the theme of the meeting which each February honors a sculptor/medalist, either American or foreign, for "outstanding achievement in the art of the medal."

Annually, the ANS Standing Committee on the Saltus Medal Award forwards a nomination to the Society's Council for consideration at its October meeting. In the event that the ANS Council votes to award the Saltus Medal, Dr. Alan M. Stahl, ANS Curator of Medals and Secretary of the Saltus Committee, will coordinate the program for the "Saltus Award Meeting including The Stephen K. Scher Lecture." In the event that no recipient of the award is elected, the gift agreement provides for "The Stephen K. Scher Lecture Meeting" to be held on the designated date.

Dr. Scher, CEO of Scher Chemicals and past Chairman of the Department of Art History at Brown University, is



Stephen K. Scher

a specialist in Renaissance medals and frequently lectures on this subject at the Society's Graduate Seminar. In July, he was nominated as a member of the Society's Council, the election to take place at the Annual Meeting of the ANS this October.



John M. Kleeberg will assume the title of Curator of Modern Coins at the ANS as of October 1, 1996. Kleeberg has been in charge of modern coins and currency since February 1990.

Kleeberg was educated at Yale University and received his D.Phil in Modern History from Oxford in 1990. Since joining the Society he has edited the Proceedings volumes of three COAC conferences: America's Silver Dollars, published in 1995; Canada's Money. (1994); and Money of Pre-Federal America (1992). Each of these volumes, as well as The Token: America's Other Money resulting from COAC 1994, has featured a major contribution by him, and he has also published in the Actes of the 1991 Brussels International Numismatic Congress, The Journal of Transport History, and The Encyclopedia of New York City. His reviews have appeared in the American Journal of Numismatics, in which he has an article forthcoming, and his biographies of prominent Americans involved with numismatics will appear in the new American National Biography. Perhaps his best-known contribution, however, is "Clio's Handmaiden: The Historian and the Coin Cabinet," which appeared in Perspectives: The American Historical Association Newsletter in January 1994 and was reprinted in the ANSNewsletter.

Kleeberg has organized exhibits in connection with each of the COAC conferences since 1991, and at the New York International Numismatic Conventions. He currently serves as President of the New York Numismatic Club.





Fond memories of Society's Spring outing to Kikuit, the famous Rockefeller home recently opened to the public. Enjoying the Hudson River cruise en route to the May 11 house tour are at far left, Anthony J. Terranova of New York, to left, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Newman, Springdale, CT, and Catherine Bullowa-Moore of Philadelphia.

ANS at FIDEM '96

A large and enthusiastic contingent comprised the USA Delegation to the 25th Congress of the Fédération Internationale de la Médaille (FIDEM), held in Neuchâtal, Switzerland, from June 11 through 15. Alan Stahl, ANS Curator of Medals, led the delegation and participated as a member of the Comité Exécutif of the international organization and a member of the prize jury. ANS Fellow Cory Gillilland was vice-delegate, and Fellows Ira Rezak and Ralph Sonnenschein were delegates. Former ANS staff member George Cuhaj was also in the delegation, as were Associate Members Richard Giedroyc (covering the event for Coin World), Beverly Mazze, Richard Mole, Joseph Veach Noble and Thomas W. Sheehan.

As in past years, the unofficial opening of the Congress was the reception hosted by the USA delegation, held in the formal gardens of Hótel DuPeyrou, a gracious eighteenth-century mansion. The heads of the other delegations, officials of FIDEM, and members of the organizing committee were given examples of the medal made for the occasion by Amanullah Haiderzad, recently elected President of the American Medallic Sculpture Association. Other American sculptors participating in the Congress were James MaloneBeach, Mashiko and Marika Somogyi.

June 12 was the official opening day at the Congress, called to order by FIDEM President Mark Jones. The biennial exhibition of medals at the Musée d'Art et d'Histoire opened that evening; it was mounted by Marguerite Spoerri, Curator of the Numismatic Collection of that museum. The show, featuring the work of 480 artists from 35 countries, will remain on exhibit through October 20. The week included a series of historical talks on medals organized around the theme "Medallic Series," as well as workshops by artists and a visit to a school for applied arts. The Saltus Medal Award Committee of the ANS took advantage of the event to hold a special meeting, at which earlier Saltus winners Ewa Olszewska-Borys and Jiří Harcuba joined committee members in viewing the exhibit.

The next FIDEM congress is scheduled for October of 1998, in The Hague, Netherlands. A few remaining examples off this year's USA Delegation medal are available for a \$50 donation to the delegation; checks for that amount made out to the ANS should be sent to Alan Stahl at the ANS.

ANS Coins at the Olympics

Visitors to the Olympic Games in Atlanta this summer had the opportunity to enjoy an extraordinary cultural experience. Through August 18, the Michael C. Carlos Museum at Emory University exhibited "Nike, Competition and Victory at the Ancient Greek Festival Games."

This exhibition, displaying a variety of objects from the Carlos Collection and from several private and public collections, including the ANS, traced the origin and development of the ancient games, which could include athletic, musical and dramatic contests, with athletic competitions coming to dominate the festivals. Nike, the image of Victory, also plays an important role in the early history of the games as depicted on vases and coins.

For the exhibition, the ANS lent twelve of its finest Greek and Roman coins depicting scenes associated with the ancient games, including our late fifth century Syracusan decadrachm with the reverse image of Nike crowning the charioteer driving a quadriga with all four horses in full gallop.

An important aspect of the exhibit is a scholarly discussion of the athletic events and the honors that accrue to the victors, allowing the visitor to draw parallels between the ancient and modern games. Just as victory at a Panhellenic festival, such as that held every four years at Olympia, brought high honor to the individual as well as to his city, today we cheer on our athletes with a great sense of national pride.

LIBRARY NOTES

In the George F. Kolbe sale of June 1, the library was able to purchase several items thanks to Joseph R. Lasser, who made a generous contribution to the library fund. Among these were Okudairo Masahiro's Toa senshi (A numismatic record of Far Eastern coins). considered the outstanding Japanese work on coins of the Far East. Also acquired was the journal "Sovetskii Kollektzioner" (Soviet Collector), Nos. 1-29, 1963-93 and a unique manuscript of an extensive American coin collection, which bears the handwritten title. "Family Expenses &C. Book 2. Commencing Sept. 9th, 1834." This item is described as "The Earliest such Record known to be in Private Hands.'

Anthony Terranova of New York City has donated two items, both of which will enrich our collection and prove of great use to the specialist researcher. The first of these consists of 67 negatives and contact proofs of the Kenneth W. Lee collection of California fractional gold coins, including the Kroll hoard. The second item consists of correspondence, photographs, and photocopies compiled by George Fuld in his research on Benjamin Franklin medals.

As usual, the Graduate Seminar students and the visiting scholar, Prof. Andrea Saccocci, University of Udine, have kept the library staff busy with bibliographical queries. With very few exceptions, we have been able to provide most of the numismatic references requested. Prof. Saccocci has also made extensive use of the library's auction holdings in his research on Paduan coins of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. For most of the Summer, the library has had the assistance of two parttime employees who have helped with photocopying, filing, shelving and other library routines. Assisting are Alejandra Serrano of Bennington College and Lisa Rosario of Fordham College.

Among the publications generously donated by authors and publishers are Hans J. Colin's Die Münzen von Perge in Pamphylien aus hellenistischer Zeit; Charles J. Culleiton, National bank notes of Allegheny County, donated by the Western Penn-

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sylvania Numismatic Society, Pittsburgh; John Davenport, East Baltic regional coinage; Kenneth W. Harl, Coinage in the Roman economy, 300 B.C. to A.D. 700; George Hosek, 1996 Iowa merchant trade token town rarity list. 4th ed.; Heinrich Kalvelage and Hartmut Trippler, Die Münzen der Grafen, Herzöge und Grossherzöge von Oldenburg; Oscar Marotta and Miguel A. Morucci, Catalogo de monedas de plata columnarias y de busto ceca de Potosi 1767 a 1825, received from Fundación de los Corrales Viejos, Buenos Aires, Argentina; Mechtild Overbeck, Römische Bleimarken in der Staatlichen Münzsammlung München: Eine Quelle zur Sozial- und Wirtschaftsgeschichte Roms; Maurice Prou, Catalogue des monnaies françaises de la Bibliothèque Nationale: Les monnaies mérovingiennes. Introduction - Georges Depeyrot (Reprint); Reinhard Suchier, Die Münzen der Grafen von Hanau. (Reprint), received from Werner Kurz, Hanau, Germany; Scott A. Travers, One-minute coin expert, 2nd ed. From Laurens Schulman, b.v., Bussum, Netherlands, we have been presented with D. A. Wittop Koning, De Gelderse Munt te Harderwijk, 1584-1806; W.K. de Bruijn, De nederlandse florijn in al zijn facetten; and Erik van Scheepen, Universiteit op de penning: Penningen van Athenaeum illustre en Universiteit van Amsterdam 1632-1992.

Uptown Treasures

The ANS will again this year participate in "Uptown Treasures," the day long event that showcases northern Manhattan cultural institutions and their collections to the general public. The event is scheduled for October 20 and this year is part of the first annual "Washington Heights and Inwood Week," celebrating the many and varied attractions at the northern end of Manhattan.

At the ANS, visitors will be greeted by staff and volunteers, including our regular Uptown Treasures docent, Henry Bergos; a favorite for visitors is the opportunity to strike a copy of an ancient Greek coin during demonstrations at 1:00 and 2:00 PM.

ANS members interested in assisting as volunteers for Uptown Treasures are asked to contact ANS Development Officer Stephanie Cohen by phone.

Eleven Students Complete 1996 ANS Graduate Seminar Program



The 1996 Graduate Seminar (left to right): Paul Legutko; Tricia Halpin; James F.D. Frakes; Chandreyi Basu; Alexis Q. Castor; Visiting Scholar Andrea Saccocci; Harry Bone; Isabelle Pafford; Robert Papp; Julian R. Baker, Eric J. Hanne and Marilyn Higbee

The forty-fourth ANS Graduate Seminar in Numismatics concluded its nine-week program on August 9, following a week of presentations by the students on their individual research projects conducted over the summer. Eleven students representing eight universities participated.

This year's Visiting Scholar was Dr. Andrea Saccocci of the Dipartimento di Storia e Tutela dei Beni Culturali, Universitá degli Studi di Udine. Dr. Saccocci, who has published widely on late medieval coins and numismatics, delivered three lectures, assisted the students in understanding the methodology of numismatic research, and even found the time to address the New York Numismatic Club. During the final weeks, he was joined in New York by his wife Rosa and four year old daughter Chiara, who was "hostess" at an Amsterdam Cafe party for students and curators.

Also assisting the curatorial and library staff in the conduct of the program were several outside speakers, whose presentations emphasized various approaches to the study of the numismatic evidence.

Included were: Ben Lee Damsky (Belmont, CA); Sarah E. Cox (New York); Fred S. Kleiner (Boston); Stephen K. Scher (Clifton, NJ); and Eric P. Newman (St. Louis).

The ANS Graduate Seminar program is supported by the Eric P. Newman Education Fund, established by gifts from Mr. and Mrs. Eric P. Newman of St. Louis.

Student Research Topics

This year's students, with their academic affiliations and a synopsis of their seminar research topics, were as follows:

Julian R. Baker (University of Birmingham), "Three hoards of deniers tournois from Frankish Greece and their contribution to the study of the coinage of southern Greece and the Peloponnese in the late thirteenth and early fourteenth centuries."

The three hoards range in size from 180 to 220 pieces, and all contain coins of the Principality of Achaia, the Duchy of Athens and an ill-defined Despotate

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of Romania in Epics. These states were formed in the wake of the conquest of Constantinople and great parts of the Byzantine empire at the hands of the participants in the Fourth Crusade in 1204. Their coinage was produced from the mid-thirteenth century in the form of deniers tournois and obols and designed to supplement similar coinage from the West as well as Byzantine-style billon and copper coins. Only recently have some diagnostic features of these coinspunches and style of lettering, as well as mint marks-been recognized and classified, and it is on the basis of these that questions such as mint distribution, recoinages within series, mint output and imitative coinages will be resolved.

Chandreyi Basu (University of Pennsylvania), "Re-examining the coinage of Taxila (2nd century B.C.-1st century A.D.): a study of regional mint organization."

This study attempts to reconstruct the mint organization of Taxila, the principal region east of the river Indus, from the Indo-Greek period until its occupation by the Kushan rulers. It undertakes a preliminary identification of the major coin types struck at Sirkap, the chief urban settlement in Taxila during this period. Obverse and reverse types are analyzed according to their style and iconography; further groupings are made by examining the nature of inscriptions, control marks, fabric, layout of the types. weights and denominations of the coins. As far as possible a chronological arrangement of the series for the region is presented. This reconstruction in time and space also relies on the information provided by archaeological find spots, hoards, and relevant epigraphic records.

Harry J. Bone (Princeton University), "The post-reform coinage of Umayyad Damascus."

The primary numismatic aim of the study is to determine a relative and absolute chronology of the various series of copper coinage issued from the mint of Damascus as a result of the monetary reforms of 'Abd-al Malik toward the end of the first century H./seventh century A.D. A detailed breakdown of the Damascene issues is examined in relation to the main issues of other Syrian mints in order to see how coordinated monetary

policy was in Syria as a whole during the Umayyad period. The long-term historical aim is to shed light on the nature of Umayyad administration in Syria, especially that of the metropolitan province of Damascus itself, to which end some provisional, rather general conclusions are offered.

Alexis O. Castor (Bryn Mawr College), "Eustephanos, The Well-Crowned Goddess on Greek Coins."

In the absence of inscriptions, symbols and attributes are critical to identifying figures represented on Greek coin types. A group of attributes, crowns and wreaths worn by females on coins dating from the fifth to the second century B.C., is the subject of this study. There are four types of headdress: the polos, a tall, flat crown; the mural crown, representing the walls of a city; the stephane, a metal diadem often worn by the Hellenistic queens; and wreaths made of leaves or grain. Goddesses, nymphs, city personifications and queens all wear these crowns, and the goal is to identify which crown types are appropriate for these women. By focusing on a single attribute shown in a variety of coin types, it will be possible to study the influences and connections in art and religion within the Mediterranean world.

James F.D. Frakes (Columbia University), "Chronology and the Gallic silver of the Rhone Valley."

The series of Celtic silver commonly known as the "horseman coins of the Rhone Valley" has continued to pose serious problems for historians and numismatists. From their appearance as objects of study in 1837, to the recent publication of the British Museum's Catalogue of Celtic Coins (1990), secure answers to questions of provenance, date, sequence, location of issue, political circumstance and economic or social purpose have persistently remained beyond the reach of scholars. The focus of this presentation is on the historiography of the coinage, weighing scholarly proposals both fanciful and factual and isolating remaining problems and possible solutions. Of central importance will be the relationship between Celtic Gaul and the expanding Roman state, the nature of the inscriptional evidence on the coins themselves, and the explanation of

preliminary findings in a die study that must necessarily extend beyond the summer.

Patricia A. Halpin (Boston College), "Pennies from Heaven: The role of money and Anglo-Saxon pilgrimage."

This paper examines how numismatics and related economic sources may contribute to our understanding of Anglo-Saxon pilgrimage both on the Continent and within England. Archaeology, wills, charters, ecclesiastical letters, inventory lists, chronicles, saints' lives and laws have together presented a tradition for the pilgrimage experience of Anglo-Saxons. Numismatic evidence, however-coin finds, textual references to offerings, "Peter's pence," and pilgrimage expenses—have hitherto been underutilized by historians. Integrating such evidence into our body of knowledge will clarify our understanding of this devotional activity during the early medieval period; that is, the financial demands for such travel, the offering practices of pilgrims at shrines (particularly at Rome, the threshold of the Apostles) and perhaps even the routes taken by pilgrims as reflected by coin trends.

Eric J. Hanne (University of Michigan), "The Powers that Be": Twelfth-century gold coinage from the central Islamic lands."

A study of the titulary evidence on the gold dinars from the central Islamic lands during the twelfth century (1092-1180), this project deals with the tumultuous period following the assassination of Sultan Malikshah in 1092. Following this event, the Great Saljuqs, who had formed a vast empire dominating the Abbasid Caliphate, began to fragment, eventually forming smaller sultanates in Iraq and Kirman. By the end of the period the Abbasids, among others, were able to gain ascendancy over the weakened Saljuqs. This study uses numismatic evidence from three major mints (Baghdad, Nisapur, Isfahan) as well as from many "provincial" mints in an attempt to shed light on the political and historical developments of the period.

Marilyn Higbee (Columbia University), "Annulet and decoration patterns in

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the silver coinage of the independent Emirate of Umayyad Spain."

This paper looks at the silver dirhams produced by the independent emirate of Umayyad Spain during the years 138-300 H./750-912 C.E., focusing on the changing annulet and decoration patterns. Like most Umayyad dirhams, these coins are quite uniform in terms of inscriptions, epigraphy, stated mint, weight, fabric, and general style-the most regular variations being found only in the annulet and decoration patterns. Both Vives and Miles noted such patterns as a possible basis for definition of issues, identification of single or multiple mints, or illumination of mint organization and practices, but neither was able to undertake a full study. Examination of the collections of the ANS and the Museo Arqueologico Nacional of Madrid, as well as a hoard provided for study by Stephen Album, encourages the belief that these changing annulet and decoration patterns are indeed systematic and therefore meaningful-not purely ornamental, as Miles argued.

Paul A. Legutko (University of

Michigan), "The revolt of Macrianus and Quietus and its effect on Alexandrian coinage, A.D. 260-63."

This paper reconstructs the history of coinage in Roman Egypt during and immediately following the revolt of Macrianus and Quietus against the emperor Gallienus in A.D. 260. This revolt is poorly understood, and the evidence is often misleading and contradictory. From the period 260-63 in Egypt, eight series of coins can be distinguished on the basis of metrology, portrait style, reverse type and legend. Through die links and hoard evidence, these issues can be interconnected and reconciled to the papyrological and literary evidence from the period in order to clarify the events during and after this rebellion.

Isabelle A. Pafford (San Francisco State University), ''Megara: the hellenistic coinage, a preliminary study.''

The Greek city-state of Megara, although an important participant in the historical events of the archaic and classical periods, did not begin issuing coins until the early hellenistic era. Apart

from a small silver series, Megara's coinage was restricted to bronze denominations which have not received much scholarly attention. The present study attempts, through metrological analysis and die comparison, to arrange Megara's coinage in a systematic order, and compares Megara's denominational system with the coinages of other cities in the region such as Athens, Corinth, and Sicyon.

Robert G. Papp (Columbia University), "The Road to Chervonets: The representation of national identity in Russian money, 1896-1924."

Visual aspects of Russian coins and paper money are examined from the coronation of Nicholas II to the advent of a stable currency in early Soviet Russia. The paper addresses how the state used money as a means to express its vision of national identity, and the varying extent to which this played a significant role in the design of money in the period at hand. Elements of continuity as well as innovation are emphasized as Russia underwent the difficult transition from empire to the early Soviet state.

RESEARCH NEWS

Arab-Byzantine Forum II!

The success of last year's initial gathering has led to the convocation of a second Arab-Byzantine Forum, to take place at the ANS on Saturday, October 12, 1996. This year some fifteen to twenty specialists are expected to attend. The meeting will combine formal reports and informal discussion of the seventh- and eighth-century imitative Byzantine-type coinages of Bilād al-Shām, as well as any of the coin series related to them, such as seventh-century Byzantine coinage and other non-Arab coinages derived from Byzantine.

As previously, the meeting will be cosponsored by the North American branch of the Oriental Numismatic Society.

The meeting will begin at 10:00, and will last into the afternoon. Registration fee is \$20.00, including a sandwich lunch provided to participants, as well as coffee and snacks. A form has been sent to last year's registrants and other known specialists. Anyone else with an interest in the field who would like to attend should contact Michael L. Bates at the Society.

Contributions on the historical, economic, administrative and social background to the coinage will also be welcome.

London Conference

ANS members in the London area can attend the original Arab-Byzantine forum, now entitled Seventh Century Syria Numismatic Round Table, which has become an annual institution. It will take place at the British Museum on Saturday, December 7, 1996, from 10:00 onward. Those interested in attending, whether or not they wish to give a paper, are asked to send their names, the title and short description of their papers (if any; maximum 20-30 minutes), and their addresses to Steve Mansfield, c/o the RWMAC Secretariat, Room A5/26 Romney House, 43 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3PY United Kingdom.

Colonial Newsletter Donated to ANS

The Colonial Newsletter, considered the premier journal in the field of American Colonial coinage and currency, has been donated to the American Numismatic Society. Arthur A. Houghton III, ANS President, noted that the Society is "proud, honored, and extremely grateful to have been chosen as the recipient of this highly prestigious publication." Formal acceptance of the gift was recorded at the meeting of the Society's governing Council on July 20.

James C. Spilman, President of the Colonial Newsletter Foundation located in Huntsville, Alabama, earlier this year notified ANS Director Leslie A. Elam of his decision to retire as Editor of *CNL*, a position he has held since 1963. Through Mr. Elam, the ANS expressed its great interest in assuming responsibility for the production and distribution of *CNL* beginning in 1997, and the donation was finalized at the end of June.

Mossman New Editor

The new Editor of *CNL* will be Dr. Philip L. Mossman of Hampden, Maine, who now serves as one of three Associate Editors of the journal, the others being

Gary Trudgen of Endwell, New York and Michael Hodder of Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, all of whom are also frequent contributors to the pages of CNL. Dr. Mossman recently retired as Director of Rehabilitation at the Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor. In 1993, the Society published his monumental study, Money of the American Colonies and Confederation as ANS Numismatic Studies 20; a critically acclaimed work cited in 1994 for special awards by the Sons of the American Revolution and the Numismatic Literary Guild. Associate Editors Trudgen and Hodder have agreed to continue providing their important services to production of the journal under ANS sponsorship.

CNL was established in 1960 by Alfred D. Hoch to "provide in permanent form an exchange of information, opinions, and discoveries concerning Early American coins and currency." Mr. Spilman became the Editor/Publisher of CNL in August 1963, with issue no. 9. In 1995, issue 100 was celebrated by publication of a dozen articles of original research in early American numismatics together with a series of fitting tributes

to a publication which has emerged over the years as the principal means of communication among those working in pre-Federal American numismatic research. Issue 103, due later this year, will be the last bearing the name of "ye Editor" James C. Spilman on the masthead, who will assume the new title of Editor Emeritus. The first ANS issue, no. 104, will appear in April 1997.

The ANS, founded in 1858, is one of the oldest learned societies in the United States. Its collections and library are among the largest and most comprehensive in the world and provide the basis for the Society's long-standing commitment to numismatic research and education at all levels. The ANS is generally considered the largest non-profit publisher of numismatic works, issuing books, periodicals and catalogues in several series, including the Proceedings volumes of the annual Coinage of the Americas Conference, initiated in 1984. Acquisition of CNL will further strengthen the Society's commitment to and participation in early American



New from the ANS

The ANS recently released *The Silver Coinage of Cappadocia, Vespasian-Commodus* by William E. Metcalf as ANSNNM 166. The first portion of the newest Society publication is a catalogue of over 900 pieces from a hoard (estimated at over 2,000 coins) seen at the ANS in 1983; all but one are didrachms traditionally assigned to the mint of Caesarea. These are the point of departure for a conspectus of all Cappadocian silver of the period. Commentaries deal with the coinage reign by reign, and concluding chapters summarize the significance of the hoard and the coinage.

A major conclusion is that not all Cappadocian silver was actually struck in Caesarea, Metcalf argues that portions of the coinage of Vespasian and his family, of Trajan, and of Marcus Aurelius and Lucius Verus were actually produced at Rome; and that all the coinage of Domitian was struck there.

The volume concludes with five appendices (including a discussion of the silver and copper coins, "ghost" coins, and a concordance with Sydenham) and four indices.

William E. Metcalf, *The Silver Coinage of Cappadocia, Vespasian-Commodus* ANSNNM 166 (1996), 173 pp., 54 pls., ISBN 0-89722-254-7, \$75.00 plus \$2.00 shipping. This publication is distributed to holders of the 1996 ANS Publications Subscription and as a perquisite of Gold Circle Membership. Bronze, Silver and Electrum members are eligible to receive the book at 10% discount.

ANS Delegate at ACLS Annual Meeting

The 1996 Annual Meeting of the American Council of Learned Societies began on Friday, April 26, at the Hyatt Regency Washington Hotel on Capitol Hill, a pleasant location and a pleasant hotel. At the first session, luncheon, Senator Bennett from Utah pointedly remarked that if the scholarly world expects financial support it should be wary of biting the hand that feeds it. He directed his remarks primarily at recent guidelines for various disciplines, especially American history, issued by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Diminishing the importance of traditional American heroes in favor of an agenda of "political correctness" could cost the scholarly world much.

Senator Bennett's remarks introduced the theme of this year's meeting, "What are the responsibilities of the public for support of scholarship and teaching?" The topic was discussed at two sessions. But the panelists and the delegates agreed on very little and no assertion of the public's responsibility emerged. Your delegate thought that appropriate. Much, however, was canvassed. Some assailed scholars as pretentiously indifferent to explaining what they do; others claimed that the public was antiintellectual; and still others blamed administrators for treating scholarly pursuits as a form of business. I did not find the topic a rewarding one since neither "public" nor "support" were adequately explained, let alone addressed.

One other session deserves comment, that on the "Professional Evaluation of Teaching." This topic will no doubt continue to elicit discussion as long as teaching goes on and will no doubt never be resolved. After thirty-six years of teaching I decided some time ago that I never wanted to hear another session at a learned meeting on the topic and now barely tolerate it in late night chat among friends. At this year's meeting, however, I discovered that "experts" can assure administrators that guide-lines exist that can be used to evaluate teaching objectively. From the discussion I concluded that objective evaluation is still an illusory goal. But that will not prevent the experts from foisting yet another level of bureaucracy on teachers.

Haskins Lecture

Robert Fogel of the University of Chicago gave this year's Haskins lecture. He recounted how he became interested in economics and what troubles as well as successes he encountered. A most satisfactory talk that was followed by a quite satisfactory reception.

It continues to be my pleasure to represent the ANS at these annual meetings. Next year's, 1997, gives promise of change, since Stanley Katz, the able president of the past years, has announced his retirement and return to full-time teaching at Princeton. Let us hope that the new president will continue to foster scholarship both here and abroad as Katz has so skillfully done.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger A. Hornsby Second Vice-President, ANS

Stanley Katz Retires as ACLS President

Stanley N. Katz has announced his intention to retire as President of the American Council of Learned Societies in 1997 when a successor is identified. President since 1986 of the ACLS, the pre-eminent private humanities organization in the U.S., Katz has been a vigorous advocate for humanistic scholarship throughout his tenure. Under his leadership the number of learned societies affiliated with the Council increased from 45 to 58 and the value of the ACLS endowment, which supports a variety of grants and fellowships in the humanities and social sciences, grew from \$16 to \$37 million. Katz will return to full-time teaching and research at the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton

The ACLS, of which the ANS is a constituent member, was founded in 1919 to "advance humanistic studies in all fields of learning in the humanities and social sciences and maintain and strengthen relations among national societies devoted to such studies."

ANS ADDS CIRCLE MEMBERS

Members continue to renew their ANS membership in higher categories of support and benefits. Each Circle above the basic level offers attractive benefits and discounts while providing additional, much needed support for our organization. In particular, we are obliged to those new members who elect immediate recognition as Circle members, including the Electrum Circle, introduced last year at the request of several generous members.

The Society expresses appreciation to the following members who have joined the Gold, Electrum, Silver, and Bronze Circles for 1996 since the previous listing in the Spring ANSNewsletter:

Gold Circle (\$1,000)

Mr. Allen F. Lovejoy, Riverside, CT Mr. Emilio M. Ortiz, San Juan, PR

Electrum Circle (\$500)

Mr. Jose Luis Herrera Somellera, Mexico City, Mexico

Mr. Michel Klat, Reading, Berks, Great Britain

Mr. Jonathan P. Rosen, New York, NY Dr. Stephen K. Scher, Clifton, NJ

Silver Circle (\$250)

Mr. Arthur I. Appleton, Chicago, IL Prof. Ermanno A. Arslan, Milan, Italy Mr. Andrew E. Michyeta III, Riverside, IL

Bronze Circle (\$100)

Mr. Richard M. Beleson,

San Francisco, CA

Prof. Blanche R. Brown, New York, NY Mr. Alfred Buonaguro, Brandywine, MD Prof. Peter Robert Franke, Munich, Germany

Mr. Mike Gasvoda, Schererville, IN Dr. Antonio Alberto Guerrino, Buenos Aires, Argentina

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Mr. George Lill III, La Paz, Bolivia Mr. Robert Hepworth Lloyd, North Tonawanda, NY

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Dr. Ernest J. Montgomery, Natrona Heights, PA

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Mr. Robert W. Newman, Springdale, CT Mr. Spencer Peck, Oldwick, NJ

Mr. Volker Popp, Mainz, Germany Mr. Robert J. Riethe, Ardmore, PA Mr. James F. Rogers, Newtown, CT

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Mr. Robert A. Weimer, Kansas City, MO Mr. Kerry K. Wetterstrom, Lancaster, PA Mr. G. Windfelder, Mainz-

Gonsenheim, Germany

Mr. Douglas A. Winter, Dallas, TX Mr. Glenn W. Woods, Mesquite, TX

ERIC P. NEWMAN TO BE HONORED AT ANS GALA, OCTOBER 25

Invitations are in the mail for the gala black tie dinner honoring Eric P. Newman of St. Louis, Missouri, in recognition of his distinguished service to the ANS and his extraordinary contributions to the study of American numismatics. This very special evening, hosted by the Society's Council, will take place on Friday, October 25, at the Explorers Club, 46 East 70th Street in New York City.

Chairman of the Organizing Committee and Master of Ceremonies for the evening is Joseph R. Lasser, a former ANS Councillor and longtime friend and colleague of Eric, who promises a memorable night that will be both entertaining and uplifting. Several Society members and good friends have volunteered to share memories of the honoree whose accomplishments in numismatic research and education are unique as they are legendary.

"Ben Franklin"

Eric Newman has been likened to Benjamin Franklin, from whom he often takes inspiration and whose talents and achievements are well known to Eric. Visitors to the Eric P. Newman Education Society Museum in St. Louis are greeted by the kindly Ben, and his anticounterfeiting device of "nature printing" on early American currency is known to us through Eric's expertise. Ben Franklin provides one of the themes for the gala evening, with the emphasis on education, delivered with a twinkle.

Among the many recognitions garnered by Eric Newman over the years, he enjoys the distinction of having received the highest awards for numismatic scholarship from the American Numismatic Society, from the Royal Numismatic Society of Great Britain and from the American Numismatic Association. His bibliography encom-

passes the breadth of early American numismatic history, punctuated continuously by meticulous research, finely honed logic, uncanny insight and gracious acknowledgment of the contributions of others.

Those in attendance will receive several memorable keepsakes, including the 1997 Eric P. Newman Tribute Calendar, featuring illustrations of great treasures from the ANS American cabinet, providing all with a year of numismatic art as well as dates of interest to Society members. The evening will conclude with presentation to Eric of the Society's Gold Medal, honoring his service and support of the ANS.

International Honoree

The program also includes recognition of Shaykh Hamad Bin Abdulla al-Thani as the International Honoree at our gala dinner. Shaykh Hamad, who recently joined the ANS, has provided funding for the newly established Shaykh Hamad Fellowship in Islamic Numismatics at the ANS. During a recent trip through the Middle East taken by Mr. and Mrs. Newman, the Shaykh and his family graciously received the Newmans visiting on behalf of the Society and its governing Council.

October 25-Mark the Date

The Society's gala Tribute Dinner on October 25 should be on every member's "must do" list for the fall season in New York. For further information, please call ANS Development Officer Stephanie Cohen directly at 212/234-3130 and do plan to attend.

1996 Annual Giving Close to Goal

The Society's 1996 Annual Giving Campaign stands just \$8,000 short of our \$100,000 goal, thanks to a significant increase in the number and amount of contributions this year. One last outburst of generosity on the part of the membership will certainly put us over the top for this important means of support of the core programs at the ANS.

In personal letters sent by several ANS members to their friends and colleagues, many and good reasons for giving to this campaign were advanced, with positive effect. Perhaps you will recognize a quoted passage; perhaps you will be inspired by what has been said on behalf of our ANS to give the gift that will make our 1996 goal. Here are several reasons to give generously:

"...All of us owe the Society a debt of gratitude for its work for us and for others."

-Graduate Seminar alumni Brooks Emmons Levy and Thomas R. Martin "The ANS is an important international treasure."

-Harald Salvesen, Life Fellow 1993 "The Society reaches out to you through its publications..."

-G. Michael Woloch, Life Fellow 1994 "The COAC series is invaluable..."

-Catherine Bullowa-Moore, Fellow 1981 -Ben Lee Damsky, Fellow 1993

"Each year there are lectures that arouse interest...The services of the library are available to all members...The Curators stand ready to assist you."

-Associate Members Albert Zaloom and Sidney Harl

Your Support Needed

The way in which you can demonstrate your support for the uniqueness of the ANS and all that it offers is to give a set amount each and every year to the Annual Giving Campaign. Stephanie Cohen, our new Development Officer, says that her favorite words come from you and they are "The check is in the mail."

ANS PATRONS, SPONSORS RECORDED

At its meeting of July 20, the ANS Council recorded with pleasure and gratitude one new Patron of the Society and four Sponsors. These categories of giving honor donors who have contributed at least \$50,000 and \$10,000 respectively to the funds or collections of the ANS.

Chet Krause Named Patron

Chester L. Krause of Iola, WI, has been recorded as a Patron of the Society. Chet, as he is known to his many friends and admirers, is the founder of Krause Publications and an ardent supporter of a wide variety of numismatic projects and programs.

Erich Wronker, 75

ANS Fellow Erich Wronker, a resident of Jamaica, NY, died on June 9 at age 75. A member of the ANS Committee on Medals and Decorations, he was a frequent visitor to the Society's coin rooms, assisting in cataloguing the medals collection and working on his specialty, medals related to the history of printing and typography.

Born in Germany, he fled the Nazis in 1933, going to Paris with his family; thence to Cairo and later to Palestine where he served as a "Colonial" under the British Army and later served in the Israel Defense Forces in the War of

Independence.

He spent the greater part of his adult life in the Printing Department of the United Nations in New York where his knowledge of languages and typography were honed and utilized during a rewarding career. At home he maintained a small hand press where he turned out fine examples of the printer's art. Together with his wife, Lili, an expert calligrapher, they produced certificates, proclamations and other broadsides that combined hand lettering with hand-set type, to great advantage. For several years, the Wronkers have donated to the ANS the certificates presented to ANS Fifty-Year Honorees and this year Lili Wronker completed this task of dedication in memory of Erich.

Four New Sponsors

The Society also welcomed four new Sponsors, named for their contributions aggregating over \$10,000. Recognized are: Mr. Ben Lee Damsky, Belmont, CA; Mrs. Silvia Hurter, Zurich. Switzerland; Mr. George Lill III. La Paz, Bolivia; and Krause Publications. Iola, WI.

These loyal and generous contributors, individual and corporate, will be added to the rolls of "Patrons of the Society" and "Sponsors of the Society" published each year in the Annual Report of the ANS. The Society is grateful to these five new honorees and to all who contribute to the growth and welfare of our organization.

New Members Elected

At its meeting of July 20, the Society's Council welcomed 23 new members, elected or reinstated as Associates.

New Associates are:

Mr. Timothy S. Balraj, New York, NY Mr. Jose-Luis Bello, Zaragoza, Spain

Mr. Harry Bone, Princeton, NI

Ms. Alexis O. Castor, Durham, NC Mr. Roger Kahles, South Ozone Park,

Amir Sultan Khan, Peshawar City,

Rear Admiral Sohail A. Khan, Islamabad, Pakistan

Mr. Omar S. Khudari, Cambridge,

Dr. Robert Kilmarx, Alexandria, VA Mr. John Lorenzo, Midland Park, NJ Ms. Isabelle A. Pafford, San Francisco,

Mr. Robert G. Papp, Pembroke Pines,

Mr. Elwood Rafn, St. Paul, MN

Mr. Arthur J. Rossi Jr., San Antonio,

Mr. Daniel Frank Sedwick, Goldenrod,

Mr. John J. Sendlock, Harrisburg, PA Mr. Mackenzie Walker, Lindenhurst,

Mr. Mark Wilchusky, New York, NY Mr. Paul V. Woolley, Johnstown, PA

Members continued

Four Reinstated

At the July meeting, four former Associates were reinstated as active members. The Council expressed its pleasure at this renewed interest in the aims of the Society:

Mr. Robert W. Cornely, Marietta, GA Mr. Jack J. Rosecrans, Sleepy Hollow, IL

Ms. Roberta Stewart, Hanover, NH Mr. Richard D. Stroman Jr., Bronx, NV Membership in the ANS is open to all with an interest in numismatics. Members receive a range of benefits including the Society's annual journal, the American Journal of Numismatics, and are informed about forthcoming events and opportunities through receipt of the quarterly ANSNewsletter and special mailings.

New Life Members

The Society continues to promote the opportunity for members to convert to Life Membership by the one-time pay-

ment of \$1,000. Life Associates and Life Fellows are excused from annual dues. At its meeting on July 20, the Council recorded the following Life Members:

Dr. Martha Carter, Madison, WI (Assoc. 1983; Fellow 1992)

Mr. Jesse Patrick, Santa Rosa, CA (Assoc. 1967)

Dr. Daniel T. Pelc, Oelwein, IA (Assoc. 1972)

Dr. T. D. Rao, Hollis, NH (Assoc.

Mr. Richard B. Witschonke, Palo Alto, CA (Assoc. 1969; Fellow 1993)

ANS Officers, Councillors Nominated; Election in October

The Society's Council has approved the report of the Nominating Committee for Officers of the American Numismatic Society for the coming year. Those recommended will be placed in nomination at the Organizational Meeting of the Council following the Annual Meeting on October 26, 1996.

Named are: President, Arthur A. Houghton III; First Vice-President, Allen F. Lovejoy; Second Vice-President, Roger A. Hornsby; Treasurer, Landon Thomas; Director and Secretary, Leslie A. Elam; Assistant Treasurer, Terrance Lindall.

Councillors Nominated

Also approved by the Council is the report of the Nominating Committee for Councillors, placing in nomination five incumbent Members of the Council for three-year terms expiring October 1999: Mr. Harry W. Bass Jr. of Dallas, who served as President of the ANS 1978-84 and is Chairman of the Harry Bass Research Foundation; Mrs. Marion G. Russell, former Editor of Coin World newspaper, a member of the Society's **Executive and Governance Committees** as well as several ANS Standing Committees; and three members elected to one-year terms in 1995 and now nominated for their first full terms: Dr. Martha Carter, a resident of Madison, Wisconsin where she is active in civic and cultural affairs; earlier this year, she was appointed Chairman of the Society's Education Committee; Mr. Jonathan H. Kagan of New York, a General Partner of Lazard Frères in New York and

Managing Director of Corporate Partners, appointed in 1995 as a member of the Society's Finance Committee; and Dr. Arnold-Peter Weiss of Barrington, Rhode Island, an orthopaedic surgeon who also holds appointment as Associate Professor at the Brown University School of Medicine, also appointed in 1995 to the ANS Finance Committee. Dr. William S. Kable of New York, the fourth Councillor elected in 1995, has decided for personal reasons to resign his position on the Society's Council. Mr. Robert A. Robinson of New Canaan, Connecticut, a member of the Council and Finance Committee since 1992, had earlier informed the Society of his retirement as of October 1996.

Also at the July meeting, two new candidates were placed in nomination as Councillors for the term ending 1998: Dr. Stephen K. Scher, CEO of Scher Chemicals and past Chairman of the Department of Art History at Brown University. A specialist in Renaissance medals, he conceived and supervised all phases of the extraordinarily successful exhibition, "The Currency of Fame," which was seen at the National Gallery, The Frick, and in Edinburgh; and Mr. Ben Lee Damsky, an engineer who serves as Manager of Power Electronic Systems of the Electric Power Research Institute in San Francisco, CA. An advanced student of Roman imperial coinage, he has published in the Society's journal, lectured twice to the Graduate Seminar students and elsewhere and is a systematic and generous contributor to the ANS Roman cabinet.

Glen W. Bowersock

At its July meeting, the Council received, with great regret, Prof. Glen W. Bowersock's decision not to stand for reelection. In recognition and respect, the following Resolution of Appreciation was voted:

Whereas Glen W. Bowersock has served with distinction on the ANS Council since 1983 and its Executive Committee since 1987; and

Whereas he chaired the Committee on Goals and Priorities, whose report to the Council in October 1985 continues to serve as the basis for the Society's long range planning; and

Whereas his advice and counsel has served the Society well during these past thirteen years;

Therefore, we express to Glen W. Bowersock on the occasion of his retiring from the Council of the ANS, the profound thanks and best wishes of the Council and the Membership.

Annual Meeting October 26

Nominations of the seven Council Members will be made at the Annual Meeting of the Society to be held at 3:00 PM on Saturday, October 26, 1996, at the ANS. The program will feature reports by members of the library and curatorial staffs discussing important accessions of the past year, a selection of which will be on display. Members and the public are invited to attend.

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